

life with 2 hands but climbs with 1 hand and reaches back with the other. Mack is reaching back as he launches the McKinley "Mack" Wilbourn Legacy Foundation to transform, inspire and provide opportunities for the underserved in the areas of Art and Culture, Entrepreneurship and Financial Literacy. His vision is to revolutionize the outlook and provide life changing opportunities for marginalized communities.

Mr. Speaker, McKinley "Mack" Wilbourn has done so much for so many for so long. I therefore ask my colleagues to join my wife, Vivian, and me, along with the other Members of the Georgia Congressional Delegation and all those whose lives Mack has touched, in extending our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes on 50 years of excellence in business, 79 years of life and the launching of the McKinley "Mack" Wilbourn Legacy Foundation. To God be the Glory.

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND LEWIS  
GUNTER

**HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a beloved faith and community leader. Reverend Lewis Gunter transitioned from this life on January 11, 2023, but indelible mark on the State of South Carolina remains.

Rev. Gunter was born on April 13, 1930, in Lexington County, South Carolina to the late Mr. Cellus and Mrs. Beulah Gunter. He attended public school in Lexington County before moving to Aiken, South Carolina, where he graduated from Schofield High School. He pursued higher education at Benedict College in Columbia, South Carolina. He was committed to helping those in need and earned his bachelor's degree in social work.

Rev. Gunter got his early spiritual education at Hall Hill Baptist Church in Pelion, South Carolina. The first church he pastored was Mt. Olive Baptist Church, in Gadsden, South Carolina. He would continue to preach the gospel in Richland County, pastoring Gill Creek Baptist Church in Columbia, South Carolina, and Jerusalem Baptist Church in Hopkins, South Carolina. On October 20, 1976, Rev. Gunter founded Gunter's Chapel Baptist Church with 22 charter members in a temporary space. Under his leadership the congregation grew and prospered, and in 1993 the church opened the doors of its newly-built sanctuary. Throughout his career, he traveled the country conducting revivals and was active in several Christian organizations. After loyally guiding his congregation for 46 years and serving in the Ministry for 60 years, Rev. Gunter retired in 2022. I was pleased to be invited by his family and friends to keynote the retirement banquet that was held in his honor.

He lived out his values through other channels of service to his community, city, state, and country. He served in the U.S. Navy for four years, in addition to his work with the U.S. Postal Service. Rev. Gunter was deeply connected to the land and was elected to serve as the Soil and Water District Commissioner for Richland County for six years. He

additionally served as Minority Advisor for the Department of Agriculture for Calhoun and Richland Counties and was the state chaplain for the South Carolina Soil and Water Conservation.

Rev. Gunter was a dedicated family man and was married to Lue E. Pearson Gunter for fifty-five years before her passing. They are lovingly remembered by their son, three grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in honoring the life of Reverend Lewis Gunter. He faithfully pastored those in his congregation, dedicating his life to his church and his community. His legacy will live on in all those who were blessed to know him.

RECOGNIZING DR. KEITH COPELIN  
FERDINAND

**HON. TROY A. CARTER**

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Keith C. Ferdinand for his recognition as a 2023 Southern University at New Orleans Center for African and African American Studies Living Legend. Dr. Ferdinand is receiving this high honor because of his dedicated service to the citizens of New Orleans as a Cardiovascular Physician. For over 40 years, Dr. Ferdinand has endeavored to improve the health and lives of African Americans and other high risk, marginalized populations. He has devoted his life in medicine to eliminating the health disparities of New Orleans' most ostracized people. In light of all of the aforementioned professional tributes, the roles he most treasures are devoted son, sibling, father, and husband.

Keith C. Ferdinand, MD, FACC, FAHA, FASH, FNLA began his medical career with a BA in biology from the University of New Orleans. He then went on to earn an MD from Howard University College of Medicine in Washington, DC, an internship at the US Public Health Hospital in New Orleans, an internal medicine residency and cardiology fellowship at LSU Medical Center and a cardiology fellowship at Howard University Hospital, Washington, D.C. Following his years of doing clinical work, research and teaching at Xavier University, LSU, Baylor College of Medicine, and Emory University, Dr. Ferdinand returned to New Orleans as a Professor of Clinical Medicine at the Tulane University Heart and Vascular Institute.

Dr. Ferdinand has been heavily involved in many national organizations concerned with public health, including the Association of Black Cardiologists, of which he was the former Chair and Chief Science Officer, the American Society of Hypertension, of which he was a board member, and the Healthy Heart Community Prevention Program, a cardiovascular risk program targeting African American and other highrisk populations. He is the immediate-past Chair of the National Forum for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, which provides the leadership and encouragement for collaboration among over 65 organizations. Dr. Ferdinand focuses largely on cardiac risk factor evaluation and control, especially hypertension and hyperlipidemia, includ-

ing communities of racial and ethnic minorities. He has had over 100 manuscripts published and has a strong media presence. His passion for patient care is highlighted by his commitment to non-profit work and community service. In 2015 he was inducted into the Association of University Cardiologists. He also focused on improving patient care and eliminating health disparities by race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, or gender through research and academic interests.

I am humbled to personally know such a great physician, who has done so much to improve the lives of countless residents across my district. We are so honored to have Dr. Ferdinand, a true advocate for patient care.

APPRECIATING CONGRESSMAN  
ARTHUR RAVENEL, JR.

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, former Congressman Arthur Ravenel entered into eternal rest on January 16th. Congressman Ravenel was a pioneer in developing the modern Republican party in 1960, when there were no Republican elected officials at any level in South Carolina. In 2022, all statewide officials are Republican, with super majorities in the State House and Senate, being the largest Republican majorities at every level in 150 years. I especially appreciated his encouragement to begin a Teen Age Republican Club with State Party Vice Chairwoman Julia Ravenel Dougherty at the High School of Charleston for the presidential campaign of Senator Barry Goldwater. It is appropriate that the following tribute for Arthur Ravenel be provided.

Arthur Ravenel, Jr. was born March 29, 1927, to Mary Allen Boykin and Arthur Ravenel in Charleston, SC. He was raised on his father's small farm in St. Andrew's Parish. He attended public schools and was an Eagle Scout. After his graduation from St. Andrew's High School, he volunteered for the United States Marine Corps and was called to duty on his 18th birthday. After his service with the Marine Corps, he attended The College of Charleston on the GI Bill and graduated in 1950 with a degree in history. His first job was with the Westvaco Paper Mill as a laborer and in 1952 he started a home improvement business and built it into a successful general contracting and real estate firm so that he was able to retire at the age of 50 and devote his full energies to public service.

Mr. Ravenel began his career in politics in 1953 when he was elected to the SC House of Representatives where he served until 1958 and earned a reputation for being a conservationist. In the early 1960's he was instrumental in helping to build the modern day Republican Party, serving as the First District Chairman, the state finance chairman and as a Goldwater Delegate to the GOP Convention in San Francisco in 1964. In those early days of the GOP, he ran several unsuccessful races for the SC Senate and finally, in 1980 he and Glenn McConnell were elected as Republicans to the State Senate. In 1986 he ran for the US Congress upon the retirement of Thomas Harnett and served four terms in Washington.

In 1994, he ran for Governor but was defeated in the GOP Primary. In 1996, upon the request of Mayor Harry Hallman of Mt. Pleasant, he again ran for the SC Senate and led the effort to find the funding to replace the aging Cooper River Bridges. With the enthusiastic help of many, he accomplished the mission. The next year, frustrated with the failing schools in Charleston County, he again offered himself for public service and was elected to The Charleston County School Board.

During his long public service, Mr. Ravenel was affectionately known as "Cousin Arthur" for his tireless work on behalf of his constituents. In addition to helping find funding for the new bridge, he was also responsible for helping to secure the initial funding from the General Assembly to procure the Avery Institute at the College of Charleston. He was also instrumental in the creation of the Low Country Graduate Center, a cooperative venture of MUSC, The College of Charleston, The Citadel, USC and Clemson, through his efforts with the Charleston County Legislative Delegation and was particularly proud that it was done without the necessity of legislative action.

After the birth of his son, William, who has Down's Syndrome, he became a passionate advocate in creating and promoting services for the developmentally disabled and served as president of the SC Association for Retarded Children. He sponsored legislation with Senator Bill Mescher of Berkeley County to prevent The Department of Disabilities from closing any of its habitation centers without a vote of the General Assembly.

A lifelong conservationist and environmentalist, he was successful in getting passed an amendment to the State Appropriations Bill to assign a modest percentage of the documentary stamp revenues to purchase and protect South Carolina's natural and cultural heritage sites for the Heritage Land Trust Fund, which owns over a hundred thousand acres. He with his wife, Jean Rickenbaker Ravenel, have placed conservation easements over some of their own properties.

In 1995, he was asked by Governor David Beasley to head up the newly formed Redevelopment Authority created to breathe new life into the closed Charleston Naval Base. Within a few months, he successfully guided the RDA to lease out vital portions of the industrial area, including the dry docks leased to a local firm. He also assisted the Academic Magnet School in finding a new home on the Old Naval Base. When he left to return to the Senate, the RDA was well on the road to the outstanding success it now enjoys.

A life member of The Sons of Confederate Veterans, Mr. Ravenel was very proud of his grandfather, Edward Ravenel, who served as a courier on General Hardee's staff at The Battle of Bentonville in NC. Private Ravenel had been a member of the Stono Scouts which was made up of men from The Sea Islands surrounding Charleston and was led by Captain Walpole. While in the Senate, Mr. Ravenel was active in negotiations to remove the Confederate Battle Flag from the State House Dome to the Soldiers' Monument in the front of the Capitol.

During his service on the Charleston County School Board, he was most proud of leading the contentious and successful battle that resulted in the opening of the Math and Science Charter School.

A life long member of The French Huguenot Church, he was active in the revitalization of the church and traveled around the world interviewing prospective clergy for the reopening of the church. He served on its board for 55 years. He has also been a member of the St. Johns Hunt Club, The South Carolina Society, The Washington Light Infantry, The South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, The Carolina Yacht Club and The Fort Moultrie Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

He is survived by his brother, Edward Ravenel, his wife, Jean Rickenbaker Ravenel and his former wife, Louise Ravenel Dougherty, his six children; Suzanne Ravenel, Arthur Ravenel, III (Heidi), René R. Brockinton (Harvey), Eva R. Ravenel (of the late René Ravenel), William Ravenel, all of Charleston, SC and Thomas J.J. Ravenel of Aiken, SC. Four step-children, Jean Elliott Manning, Heath Manning, Jr. (deceased), Mary Locke Olliphant (Murray), and Dibble R. Manning (Carla) and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The family wishes to express their appreciation to his wonderful caregivers Geraldine Jameson, Luc Maxineau, Philip Edles, Paul Dennis, and The Lutheran Hospice of South Carolina.

#### CONGRATULATING LEE KLEIN ON HIS RETIREMENT

#### HON. MIKE FLOOD

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, today, I want to congratulate Mr. Lee Klein of Norfolk, Nebraska on his retirement.

Lee is a longtime public servant and advocate for agriculture, who has traveled to dozens of countries promoting our agricultural exports. Over the years, Lee has served in many capacities including Board Member for the National Corn Growers Association, Madison County Commissioner, and State Senator in the Nebraska Unicameral. These are just a few of the many roles he's played.

Most recently, he served as a representative for my District Office, helping to connect agricultural stakeholders to my work in Congress. He's been an outstanding ambassador for the First Congressional District.

On a more personal level, Lee has not only served on my staff, but he's also been a great friend and neighbor. As a fellow Norfolk resident, he brought a valuable local perspective to the team and a desire to help keep the district and our country moving forward.

On behalf of the First District of Nebraska, I offer Lee congratulations and best wishes on his retirement.

#### HONORING THE MEMORY OF WILLA "WILLIE" CASH

#### HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in recognition of Willa "Willie" Cash, a long-time resident and community mother of Detroit in

Michigan's 12th District Strong as we mourn her recent passing.

Ms. Cash was born to the late Reed Barbee and Daisy Lilly Glass Barbee in Ripley, Tennessee on August 21, 1937. She graduated from Osceola High School in Osceola Arkansas and graduated from Wilson Junior College in Chicago, Illinois with an associate degree in business. Willa was introduced to her late husband, James E. Cash, by a mutual friend and they married in 1962. They later gave birth to fraternal twins, La'Tanya and La'Trece, James and Willa were married 53 years at the time of his passing in 2015. Willa worked at Realco Company and James at Sears, Roebuck & Co. in Chicago, Illinois and in 1979 the family moved to Detroit.

Ms. Cash's work touched the lives of many when she transitioned to working for the State of Michigan Department of Unemployment Services, and later the Michigan Department of Human Services, where she served as a Family Independence Specialist before retiring in 1999 after 26 years of service.

Ms. Cash was a caring and concerned community member. She volunteered her time and energy with Unity Temple Apostolic Church of Detroit, the Greenwich Park Association Block Club, and she was a proud, lifelong registered voter, and a member-retiree of the UAW Region 1-A. Her hobbies included talking to her sister LaDora and friends daily, listening to her favorite gospel singer Lee Williams and the Spiritual QCs, and watching her favorite television programs.

Above all, Ms. Cash's love, concern, and compassion for her family were extraordinary. Nothing compared to the special bond for her only grandchild A'uston who was the light of her world. She and her husband James gave A'uston all their energy and resources to assist him in graduating college and becoming a successful overseas professional basketball player. They were extremely proud of him. She kept his college team poster in her trunk to show it off on occasion.

Please join me in recognizing Ms. Willa Cash's numerous contributions to our community as we honor her memory.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, January 9, 2023, I missed a vote on the motion on ordering the Previous Question (H. Res. 5). I would have voted "NAY" on roll call vote No. 21.

#### RECOGNIZING THE CAREER AND SERVICE OF SHERIFF JERRY SAUVE

#### HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 24, 2023*

Mr. GALLAGHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career and service of retiring Marinette County Sheriff, Jerry Sauve.

Throughout his nearly 40 years in law enforcement, Sheriff Sauve has committed his